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## MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

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Child abuse and neglect impacts children and families from all cultural, ethnic and socioeconomic groups, leaving lasting scars on victims and communities. In the year 2003 alone, 162,361 cases of child abuse and neglect were reported to the Department of Children and Family Services in Los Angeles County in 2003 with nearly four children a month being victims of fatal abuse, and countless children suffering permanent physical and emotional harm as a result of this alarming problem.

Because bringing public focus to the tragedy of child abuse and neglect assists in creating an atmosphere conducive to preventing child abuse, protecting children and helping parents.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT the Board of Supervisors joins with the Inter-Agency Council on Child Abuse and Neglect in declaring the month of April 2004 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" throughout Los Angeles County.

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